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## **Section 1**

### **SCOPE**

1.0 This report contains a complete list of EOS/AMSU-A commands for all modes of operation and testing with a description of their effects. There are no EOS/AMSU-A critical commands; i.e., commands that could damage the instrument in any situation.

## **2.0 IN-ORBIT AMSU-A OPERATIONAL COMMANDS**

AMSU-A1 and AMSU-A2 modules are controlled in orbit by commands. AMSU-A1 utilizes sixteen commands. AMSU-A2 utilizes twelve commands. Description of each command are as follows:

### **2.1 AMSU-A1 COMMANDS**

#### **2.1.1 DIRECT COMMANDS, PULSE DISCRETE**

- 1) Antenna in Full Scan Mode. Full scan "ON" commands instrument into the normal operation scanning mode. When in full scan "OFF" is commanded and no other command is given, reflectors will complete scanning cycle and park at warm load.
- 2) Antenna in Warm Cal Mode. Commands the instrument reflectors to move to the warm calibration position and stop there.
- 3) Antenna in Cold Cal Mode. Commands the instrument reflectors to move to the cold calibration position selected by the Cold Calibration Position select command and stop there. There are four cold calibration positions.
- 4) Antenna in Nadir Mode. Commands the instrument reflectors to move to the nadir position (scene station 15) and stop there.
- 5) Antenna in No Mode. A state that exists when none of the above commands has been issued to the instrument. The instrument must be in this mode for the GSE scenarios to be invoked during ground test.
- 6) Cold Cal Position 1. Selects cold calibration position 1 ( $-96.6667^{\circ}$  relative to zenith).
- 7) Cold Cal Position 2. Selects cold calibration position ( $-98.333^{\circ}$  relative to zenith).
- 8) Cold Cal Position 3. Selects cold calibration position 3 ( $-99.999^{\circ}$  relative to zenith).
- 9) Cold Cal Position 4. Selects cold calibration position 4 ( $-103.332^{\circ}$  relative to zenith).

- 10) Scanner 1 Power On. Applies or removes 28 volt power from the Noisy Power Bus to the A1-1 scan drive output circuits thus controlling reflector scan operation.
- 11) Scanner 1 Power Off. Applies or removes 28 volt power from the Noisy Power Bus to the A1-1 scan drive output circuits thus controlling reflector scan operation.
- 12) Scanner 2 Power On. Applies or removes 28 volt power from the Noisy Power Bus to the A1-2 scan drive output circuits thus controlling reflector scan operation.
- 13) Scanner 2 Power Off. Applies or removes 28 volt power from the Noisy Power Bus to the A1-2 scan drive output circuits thus controlling reflector scan operation.
- 14) PLO Number 1. Energizes Phase Lock Loop Oscillator #1 in the A1 instrument module.
- 15) PLO Number 2. Phase Lock Loop Oscillator #2 in the A1 instrument module.
- 16) Reset C&DH Processor.

## **2.2 AMSU-A2 COMMANDS**

### **2.2.1 DIRECT COMMANDS, PULSE DISCRETE**

- 1) Antenna in Full Scan Mode. Full scan "ON" commands instrument into the normal operation scanning mode. When in full scan "OFF" is commanded and no other command is given, reflectors will complete scanning cycle and park at warm load.
- 2) Antenna in Warm Cal Mode. Commands the instrument reflectors to move to the warm calibration position and stop there.
- 3) Antenna in Cold Cal Mode. Commands the instrument reflectors to move to the cold calibration position selected by the Cold Calibration Position select command and stop there. There are four cold calibration positions.
- 4) Antenna in Nadir Mode. Commands the instrument reflectors to move to the nadir position (scene station 15) and stop there.

- 5) Antenna in No Mode. A state that exists when none of the above commands has been issued to the instrument. The instrument must be in this mode for the GSE scenarios to be invoked during ground test.
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- 9) Cold Cal Position 4. Selects cold calibration position 4 ( $-103.332^{\circ}$  relative to zenith).
- 10) Scanner Power On. Applies or removes 28 volt power from the Noisy Power Bus to the A2 scan drive output circuits thus controlling reflector scan operation.
- 11) Scanner Power Off. Applies or removes 28 volt power from the Noisy Power Bus to the A2 scan drive output circuits thus controlling reflector scan operation.
- 12) Reset C & DH Processor.

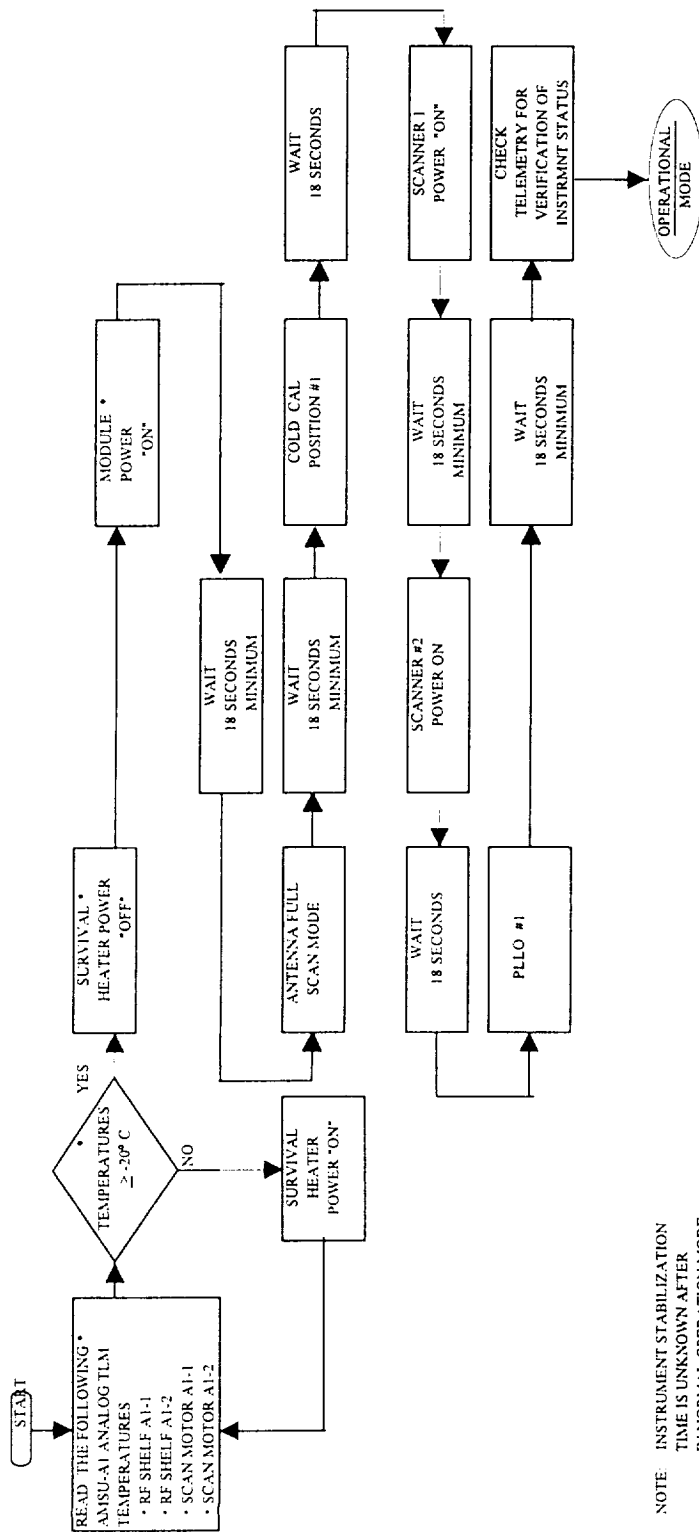
### 3.1 COMMAND SEQUENCES AMSU-A1

- Turns on Sequence

Prior to delivery from AESC, AMSU-A1 will be in the "OFF State" that means both of the antennas will be at the warm calibration position and power to both scanners will be in the off state. Initial turn on sequence on ground and in orbit shall be as shown in figure 1.

- "Turn OFF" Sequence as shown in Figure 2.
- "STANDBY Sequence" as shown in Figure 3.
- "EMERGENCY OFF" Sequences as shown in Figure 4.
- "TURN ON" Sequence after EMERGENCY OFF as shown in Figure 5.

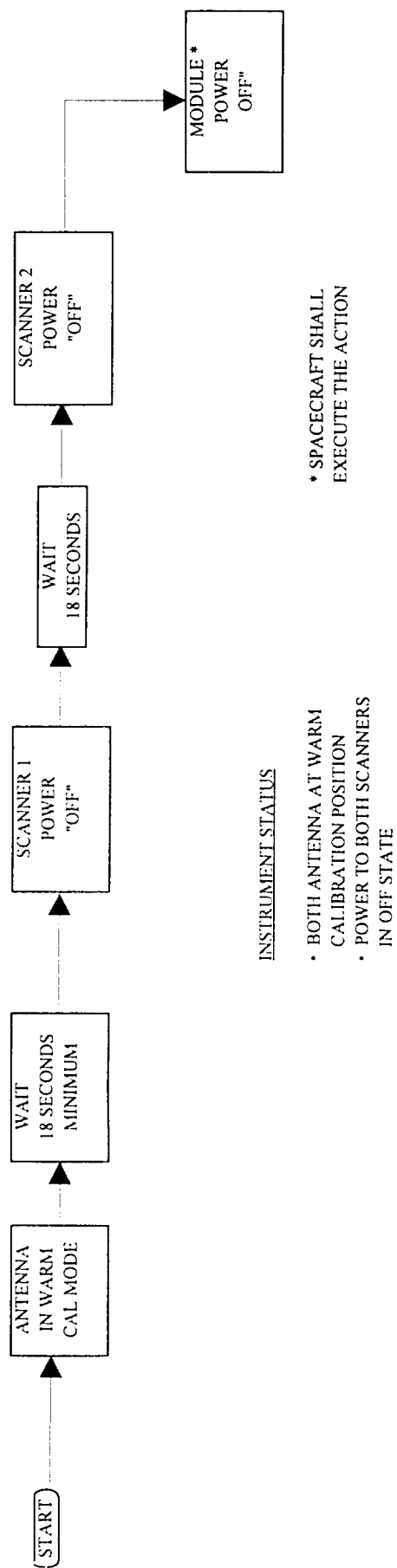




NOTE: INSTRUMENT STABILIZATION  
TIME IS UNKNOWN AFTER  
IN NORMAL OPERATION MODE

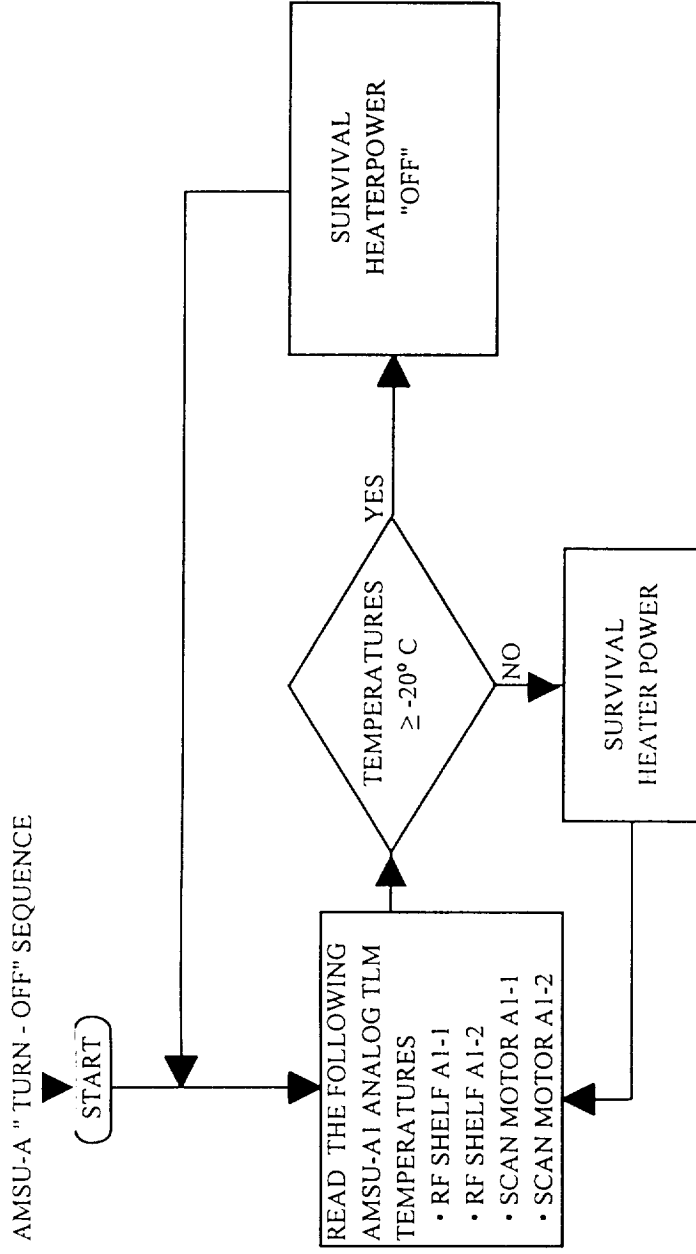
AMSU-A1 IN-ORBIT "TURN-ON" SEQUENCE

FIGURE -1



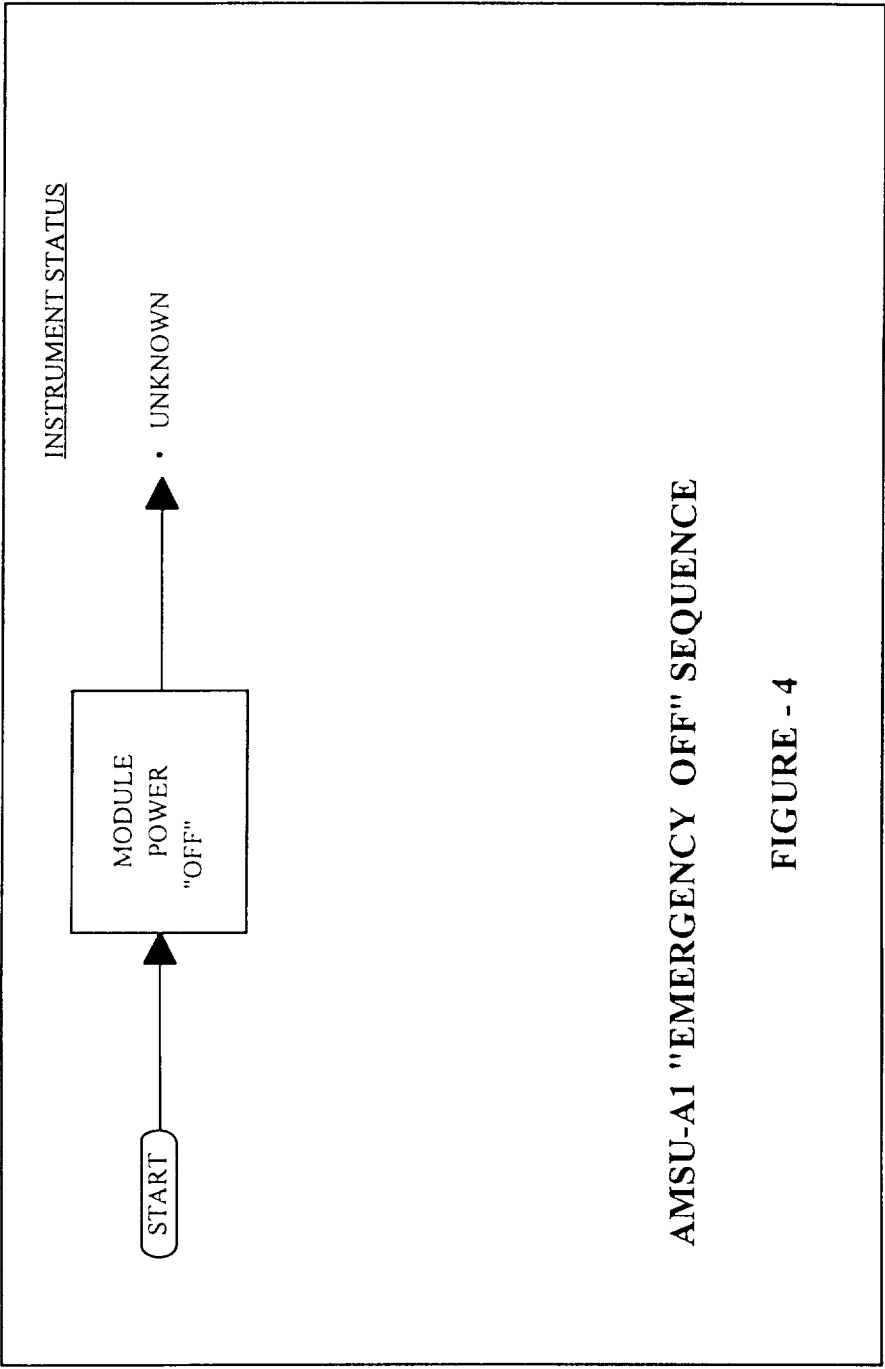
AMSU-A1 "TURN-OFF" SEQUENCE

FIGURE - 2



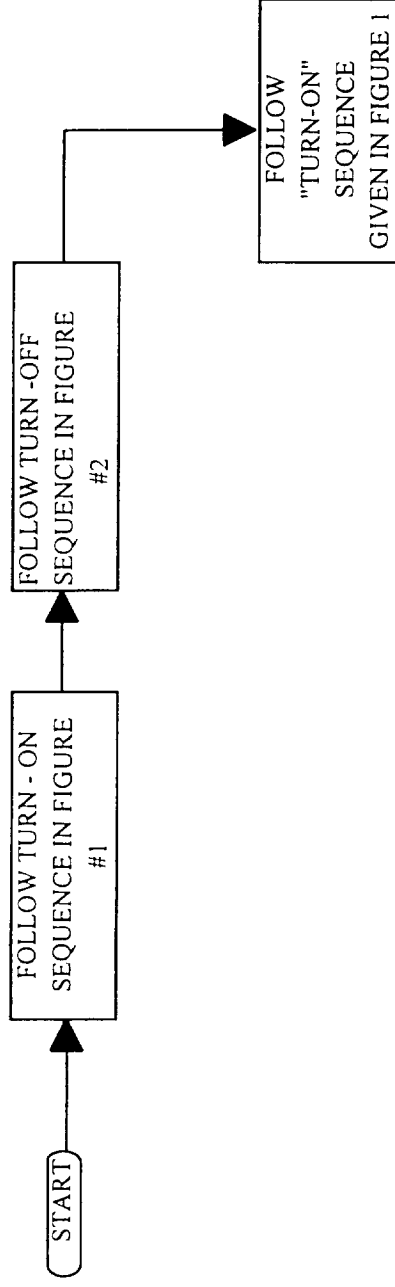
**AMSU-A1 "STAND BY" (SAFE STATE) SEQUENCE**  
**( AFTER AMSU-A1 "TURN OFF" SEQUENCE")**

**FIGURE - 3**



AMSU-A1 "EMERGENCY OFF" SEQUENCE

FIGURE - 4



AMSU - A1 "TURN-ON" SEQUENCE  
AFTER EMERGENCY OFF

FIGURE - 5

- Secondary phase lock loop operation.

Send PHASE LOCK LOOP POWER command to PLL0 #2.

If instrument is OFF then follow the normal turn-on sequence and instead of sending PHASE LOCK LOOP POWER command to PLL0 #1, send PHASE LOCK LOOP POWER command to PLL0 #2.

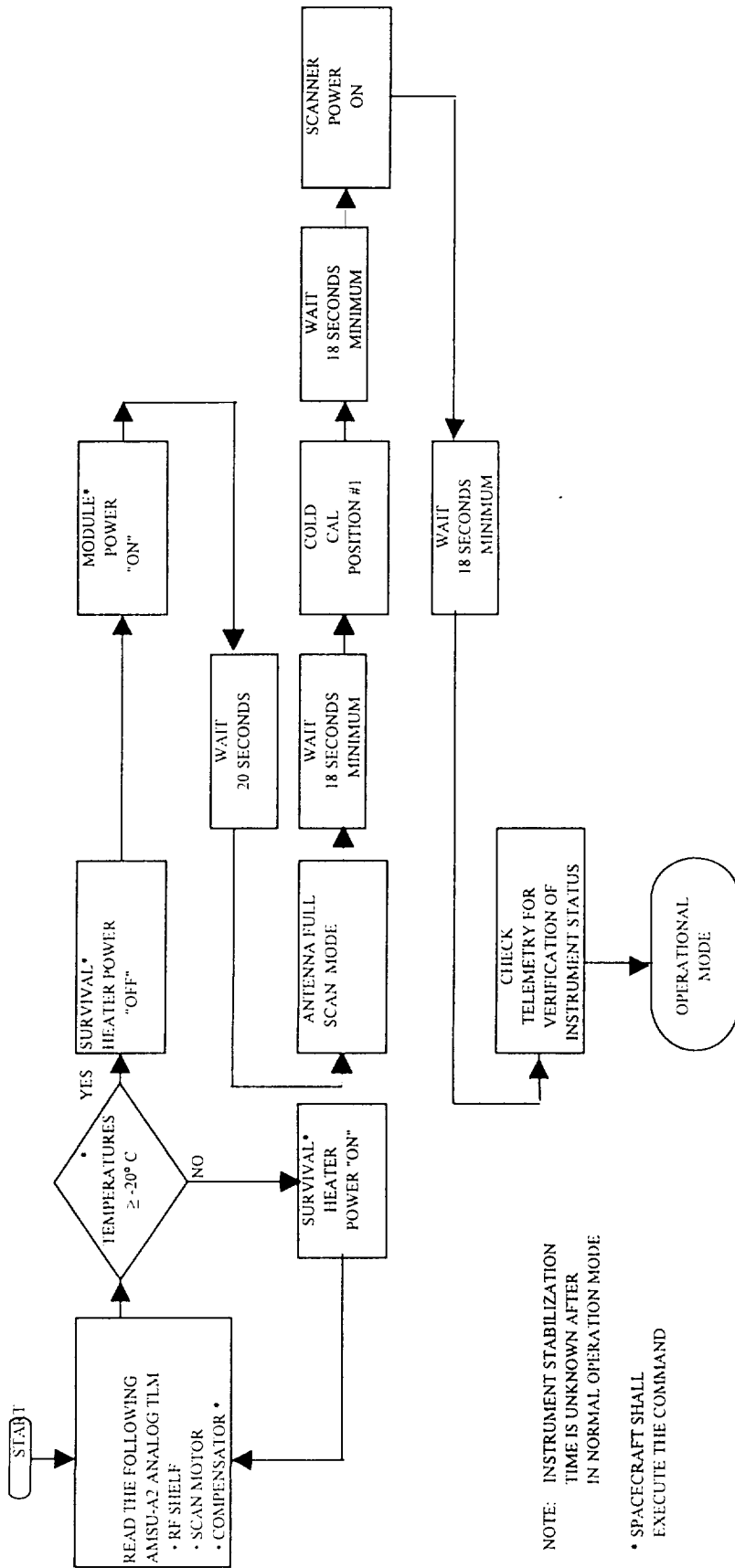
- Selection of cold cal position

Instrument is operating in normal mode. (There are four cold cal positions). During normal mode operation turn-on sequence, the primary cold calibration position is selected. To select any one of the 4 Cold Cal Mode, the following sequence must be executed.

1. Send COLD CAL command on ON.
2. Wait at least 18 seconds.
3. Send COLD CAL POSITION 1, 2, 3 or 4.
4. Wait at least 18 seconds.
5. Send FULL SCAN command to ON.

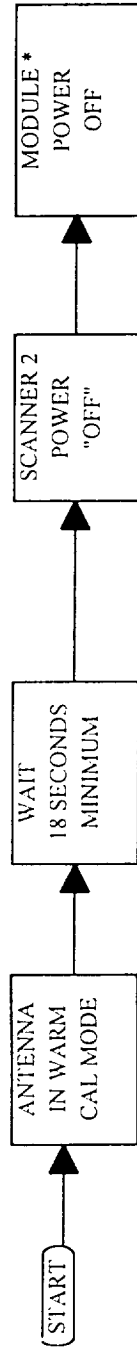
### 3.2 COMMAND SEQUENCES AMSU-A2

- “TURN ON” Sequence as shown in Figure 6.
- “TURN OFF” Sequence as shown in Figure 7
- “STANDBY” (SAFE STATE) Sequence similar to A1.
- “EMERGENCY OFF” Sequence similar to A1.
- “TURN ON” Sequence after EMERGENCY OFF similar to A1.
- Selection of Cold Cal position similar to A1.



AMSU-A2 IN-ORBIT "TURN-ON" SEQUENCE

FIGURE - 6



INSTRUMENT STATUS

- ANTENNA AT WARM CALIBRATION POSITION
- POWER TO SCANNER IN "OFF" STATE

\* SPACECRAFT SHALL EXECUTE THE ACTION

AMSU - A2 "TURN-ON" SEQUENCE  
AFTER EMERGENCY OFF

FIGURE - 7



## **4.0 SUMMARY OF OPERATION MODES**

Table 1 and Table 2 provides summary of operation modes vs AMSU-A operation for AMSU-A1 and AMSU-A2 respectively.

## **5.0 GENERAL**

The instrument has been designed such that an erroneous or out of sequence commands will not damage the instrument and will recover and operate normally after correct commands are issued.

### **5.1 INSTRUMENT COMMANDS**

AMSU-A is designed to respond to commands with the following characteristics:

1. Commands are formatted in accordance with the CCSDS telecommand packet defined in CCSDS 203.0-3-1.
2. A single command packet is 64 octets or shorter, including headers, and its data field shall be an even number of octets.
3. No state-dependent or toggle commands are used.
4. Within commands that control a number of discrete conditions, each controlled function are an enabling/disabling bit.

### **5.2 COMMAND EXECUTION VERIFICATION**

Command execution shall be verifiable via processor telemetry.

### **5.3 COMMAND SET**

The AMSU A1 and A2 commands are shown in Tables 3 and 4 respectively. The Command/Status word is shown for A1 and A2 in Figures 8 and 9 respectively.

**TABLE - 1 AMSU-A1 OPERATIONAL REQUIREMENTS**

COMMANDS >>	SPACECRAFT		AMSU-A1 COMMANDS						
OPERATION MODES	MODULE POWER OFF/ON	SURVIVAL HEATER OFF/ON	SCANNER A1-1 ON/OFF	SCANNER A1-2 ON/OFF	ANTENNA AT WARM CAL. POS.	ANTENNA AT COLD CAL. POS.1 2 3 4	ANTENNA AT NADIR POS.	FULL SCAN	PHASE LOCK LOOP SELECT PLL01 / PLL02
PRIOR TO LAUNCH/ DELIVERY	N/A	N/A	OFF	OFF	YES				
STANDBY OR BEFORE OPERATION (IN-ORBIT)	OFF	ON	OFF	OFF	YES				
AT TIME OF OPERATION (IN-ORBIT)	ON	OFF	OFF	OFF	YES				
NORMAL (IN-ORBIT) OPERATION	ON	OFF	ON	ON	NO	NO	NO	YES @	PLLO#1
NORMAL (IN-ORBIT) OPERATION WITH REDUNDANT PLL LO	ON	OFF	ON	ON	NO	NO	NO	YES	PLLO #2
UNIQUE OPERATION (IN ORBIT)									
SCANNER A1-1 OFF	ON	OFF	OFF	ON	**	**	**	**	
SCANNER A1-2 OFF	ON	OFF	ON	OFF	***	***	***	***	
WARM CAL. POS.	ON	OFF	ON	ON	YES			NO	
COLD CAL. POS.	ON	OFF	ON	ON	NO	ON		NO	
1,2,3 & 4									
• NADIR POS.									
EMERGENCY OFF	OFF	OFF	ON	ON	OFF	OFF	ON	OFF	

\* TURN ON SURVIVAL HEATER IF AMSU-A1 MODULE TEMPERATURES (RF SHIELDS AND/OR SCANNER MOTORS) ARE BELOW -20C.

\*\* A1-1 SCANNER WILL BE AT WARM CAL. A1-2 SCANNER WILL FOLLOW ONE OF THE FOUR SCAN COMMANDS (FULL SCAN OR WARM CAL. OR COLD CAL. OR NADIR POS. (PRIORITY BETWEEN THE FOUR COMMANDS ARE: 1st FULL SCAN, 2nd WARM CAL., 3rd COLD CAL., 4th NADIR POS.)

\*\*\* A1-2 SCANNER WILL BE AT WARM CAL. A1-1 SCANNER WILL FOLLOW ONE OF THE FOUR SCAN COMMANDS ACCORDING TO PRIORITY NOTE: @ DURING FULL SCAN "IN-ORBIT" MODE ANTENNAS WILL BE VIEWING PRIMARY COLD CALIBRATION POSITION.

TABLE - 2 AMSU-A2 OPERATIONAL REQUIREMENTS

COMMANDS	PROVIDED BY SPACECRAFT		AMSU-A2 COMMANDS				
	MODULE POWER OFF/ON	SURVIVAL HEATER OFF/ON	SCANNER A2 ON/OFF	ANTENNA AT WARM CAL. POS.	ANTENNA AT COLD CAL. POS.	ANTENNA AT NADIR POS.	FULL SCAN
OPERATION MODES							
PRIOR TO LAUNCH/ DELIVERY	N/A	N/A	OFF	YES			
STANDBY OR BEFORE OPERATION (IN-ORBIT)	OFF	ON	OFF	YES			
AT TIME OF OPERATION (IN-ORBIT)	ON	OFF	ON				
NORMAL (IN-ORBIT) OPERATION	ON	OFF	ON				YES @
UNIQUE OPERATION *** (IN-ORBIT)							
• SCANNER A2 OFF	ON	OFF	OFF	YES			
• WARM CAL. POS.	ON		ON	YES			NO
• COLD CAL. POS. 1,2,3&4	ON		ON	NO	YES		NO
• NADIR POS.	ON		ON	NO	NO	YES	NO
EMERGENCY OFF	OFF	OFF					

- \* TURN ON SURVIVAL HEATER IF AMSU-A2 MODULE TEMPERATURES (RF SHELF AND/OR MOTORS) ARE BELOW -20° C.
- \*\*\* THE A2 SCANNER MOTOR WILL FOLLOW ONE OF THE FOUR SCAN COMMANDS ACCORDING TO PRIORITY.  
(PRIORITY BETWEEN THE FOUR COMMANDS ARE : 1<sup>st</sup> · FULL SCAN, 2<sup>nd</sup> · WARM CAL., 3<sup>rd</sup> · COLD CAL., 4<sup>th</sup> · NADIR POS.).
- @ DURING FULL SCAN "IN-ORBIT" MODE ANTENNAS WILL BE VIEWING PRIMARY COLD CALIBRATION POSITION.

Table 3. EOS / AMSU-A1 Commands

Commands	Command Word	Mask Word
1. Antenna in Full Scan Mode	2	65505
2. Antenna in Warm Cal Mode	4	65505
3. Antenna in Cold Cal Mode	8	65505
4. Antenna in Nadir Mode	16	65505
5. Antenna in No Mode	0	65505
6. Cold Cal Position 1	0	65439
7. Cold Cal Position 2	32	65439
8. Cold Cal Position 3	64	65439
9. Cold Cal Position 4	96	65439
10. Scanner 1 Power On	2048	63487
11. Scanner 1 Power Off	0	63487
12. Scanner 2 Power On	4096	61439
13. Scanner 2 Power Off	0	61439
14. PLO Number 1	512	65023
15. PLO Number 2	0	65023
16. Reset C&DH Processor	256	65279

Table 4. EOS / AMSU-A2 Commands

Commands	Command Word	Mask Word
1. Antenna in Full Scan Mode	2	65505
2. Antenna in Warm Cal Mode	4	65505
3. Antenna in Cold Cal Mode	8	65505
4. Antenna in Nadir Mode	16	65505
5. Antenna in No Mode	0	65505
6. Cold Cal. Position #1	0	65439
7. Cold Cal. Position #2	32	65439
8. Cold Cal Position 3	64	65439
9. Cold Cal Position 4	96	65439
10. Scanner Power On	2048	63487
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12. Reset C&DH Processor	256	65279

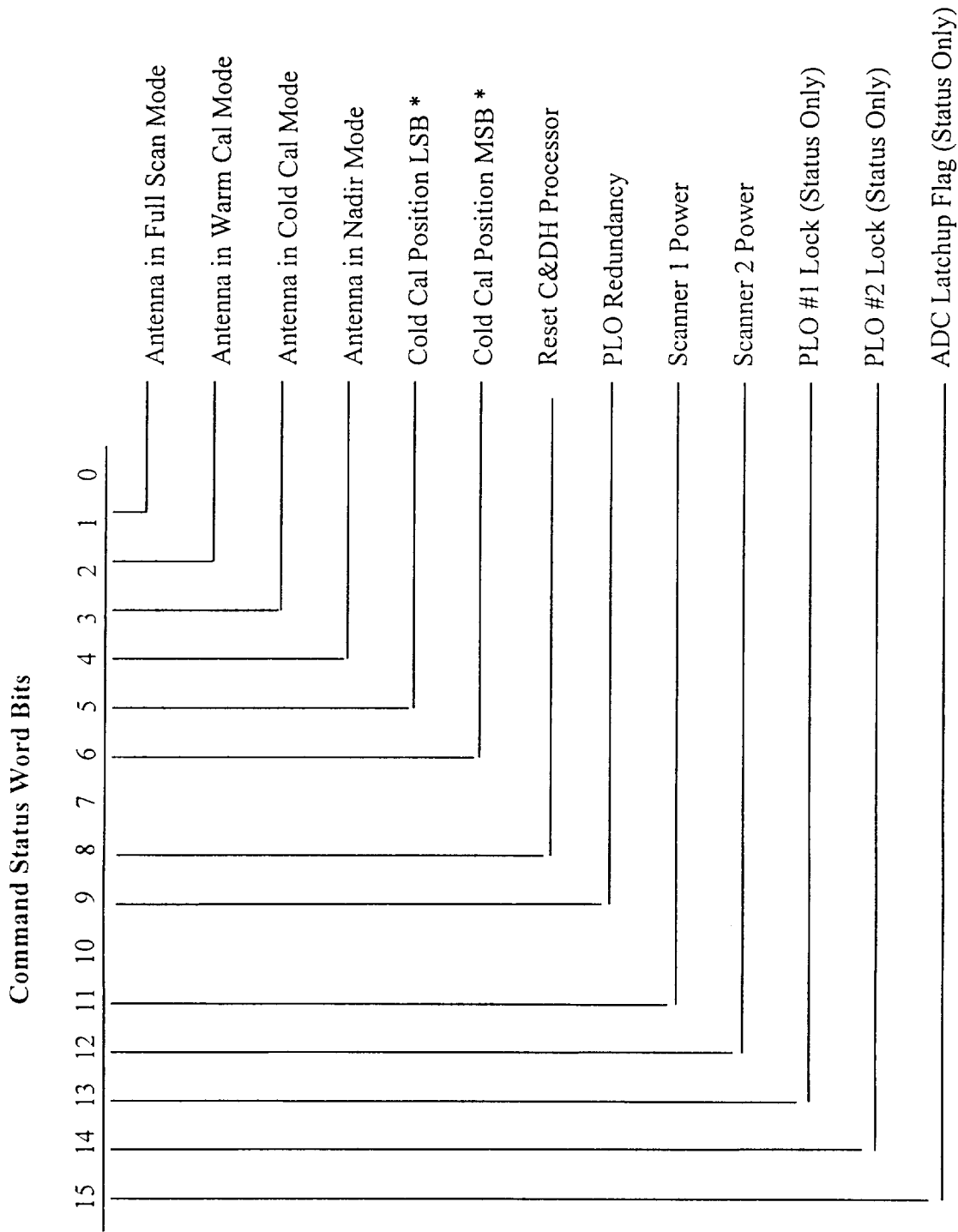


Figure 8. EOS / AMSU - A1 Command / Status

* Cold Cal.	MSB	LSB
1	0	0
2	0	1
3	1	0
4	1	1

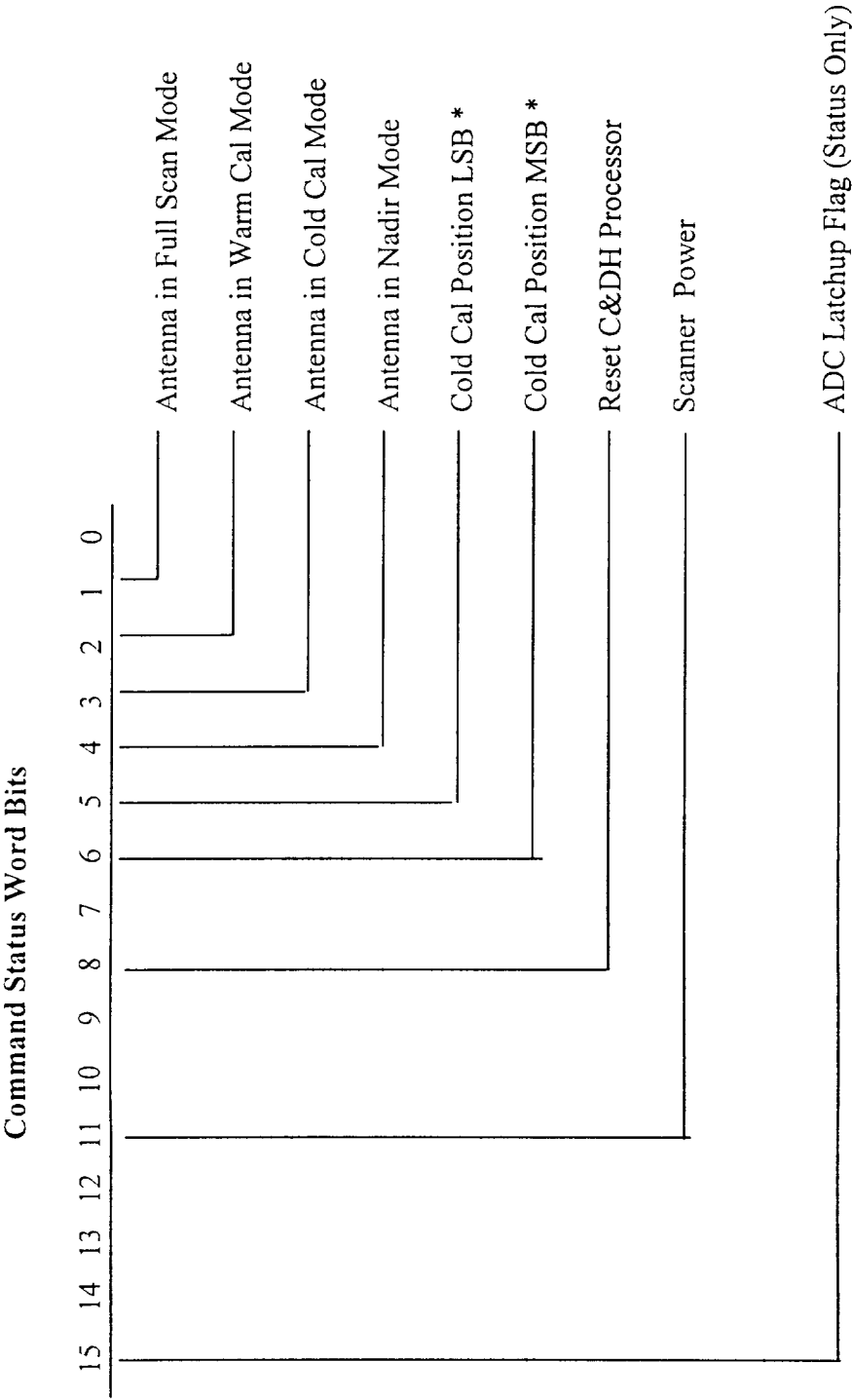


Figure 9. EOS / AMSU - A2 Command / Status

* COLD CAL. POS.	MSB	LSB
1	0	0
2	0	1
3	1	0
4	1	1

## 6.0 GSE SCENARIOS

The GSE scenarios shown in Table 5 are used exclusively for ground test and calibration purposes and are included in this document for completeness. Before any GSE scenario can be selected, the instrument must be in the No Mode State. Note: There is no GSE scenario 6. The GSE scenario can be selected via the test connector only.

**Table 5 GSE Scenarios**

GSE Scenario No.	Description
1	The reflectors slew directly to scene station 6, then cold calibration, then warm calibration, pausing at each. The action is repeated until the command is revoked.
2	The reflectors slew directly to scene station 1, moving in either direction of rotation, depending on which provides the shortest path. The reflectors remain at scene station 1 until commanded elsewhere.
3	The reflectors step through all thirty scene stations plus the two calibration positions, remaining at each for 8 seconds. The instrument will repeat this cycle until the command is revoked.
4	The reflectors slew directly to scene station 30, moving in either direction of rotation, depending on which provides the shortest path. The reflectors remain at scene station 30 until commanded elsewhere.
5	The reflectors slew directly to scene station 6, moving in either direction of rotation, depending on which provides the shortest path. The reflectors remain at scene station 6 until commanded elsewhere.
7	This is used in conjunction with GSE Scenario 3 and will pause the reflectors at whatever position they happen to be in.
0	This command disables the GSE scenario mode and allows the instrument to return to normal operation.

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